your agency. Any cost that is attributed to improper or unauthorized use of a foreign ship is your responsibility.

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## § 301-10.182 What classes of ship accommodations are available?

Accommodations on ships vary according to deck levels.

- (a) *First-class*—All classes above the lowest first class, includes but is not limited to a suite.
- (b) Lowest first class—The least expensive first class of reserved accommodations available on a ship.

### § 301-10.183 What class of ship accommodations must I use?

You must use the lowest first class accommodations when traveling by ship, except when your agency specifically authorizes/approves your use of first-class ship accommodations under paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section.

- (a) Lowest first class accommodations are not available on the ship.
- (b) When use of first-class is necessary to accommodate a disability or other special need. Disability must be substantiated in writing by competent medical authority. Special need must be substantiated in writing according to your agency's procedures. If you are authorized under §301-13.3(a) of this chapter to have an attendant accompany you, your agency also may authorize the attendant to use first-class accommodations if you require the attendant's services en route.
- (c) When exceptional security circumstances require first-class travel. Exceptional security circumstances include, but are not limited to:
- (1) The use of lowest first class accommodations would endanger your life or Government property; or
- (2) You are an agent on protective detail and you are accompanying an individual authorized to use first-class accommodations; or
- (3) You are a courier or control officer accompanying controlled pouches or packages.

LOCAL TRANSIT SYSTEM

# §301-10.190 When may I use a local transit system (bus, subway, or streetcar)?

- (a) To, from, and between places of work. The use of bus, subway, or streetcar is an allowable expense for local travel between places of business at your official station or a TDY station, and between places of lodging and place of business at a TDY station.
- (b) To places where meals can be obtained. Where the nature and location of the work at your TDY station are such that meals cannot be obtained there, travel to obtain meals at the nearest available place is an allowable expense. You must, however, attach a statement to your travel voucher explaining why such travel was necessary.

### Subpart C—Government Vehicle

# § 301-10.200 What types of Government vehicles may my agency authorize me to use?

You may be authorized to use:

- (a) A Government automobile in accordance with §301–10.220;
- (b) A Government aircraft in accordance with §§ 301–10.260 through 301–10.262 of this part; and
- (c) Other type of Government vehicle in accordance with any Governmentissued rules governing its use.

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# § 301-10.201 For what purposes may I use a Government vehicle other than a Government aircraft?

Only for official purposes which include transportation:

- (a) Between places of official business:
- (b) Between such places and places of temporary lodging when public transportation is unavailable or its use is impractical;
- (c) Between either paragraph (a) or (b) of this section and restaurants, drug stores, barber shops, places of worship, cleaning establishments, and similar places necessary for the sustenance, comfort, or health of the employee to foster the continued efficient

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performance of Government business; or

(d) As otherwise authorized by your agency under 31 U.S.C. 1344.

## § 301-10.202 What is my liability for unauthorized use of a Government vehicle?

You are responsible for any additional cost resulting from unauthorized use of a Government vehicle and you may be subject to administrative and/ or criminal liability for misuse of Government property.

#### GOVERNMENT AUTOMOBILES

# § 301-10.220 What requirements must I meet to operate a Government automobile for official travel?

You must possess a valid State, District of Columbia, or territorial motor vehicle operator's license and have a travel authorization specifically authorizing the use of a Government-furnished automobile.

TRAVEL ON GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT

### § 301-10.260 May I use a Government aircraft for travel?

You may use Government aircraft for travel only if you have authorization from an executive agency under the rules specified in this part (except with regard to travel under §301-70.808 and §301-70.910). Because the taxpayers should pay no more than necessary for your transportation, generally you may travel on Government aircraft only when a Government aircraft is the most cost-effective mode of travel.

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## §301-10.261 When may I use a Government aircraft for travel?

You may use Government aircraft—
(a) For official travel only when—

- (1) No scheduled commercial airline service is reasonably available (*i.e.*, able to meet your departure and/or arrival requirements within a 24-hour period, unless you demonstrate that extraordinary circumstances require a shorter period) to fulfill your agency's
- travel requirement; or
  (2) The cost of using a Government aircraft is less than the cost of the city-pair fare for scheduled commercial

airline service or the cost of the lowest available full coach fare if a city-pair fare is not available to you. The cost of non-productive or lost work time while in travel status and certain other costs should be considered when comparing the cost of using a Government aircraft in lieu of scheduled commercial airline service. Additional information on costs included in this cost comparison may be found in the "U.S. Government Aircraft Cost Accounting Guide," available from the General Services Administration, Office of Government-wide Policy, MTA, 1800 F Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20405.

- (b) For required-use travel only when you are required to use Government aircraft for bona fide communications (e.g., 24-hour secure communications) or security reasons (e.g., highly unusual circumstances that present a clear and present danger) or exceptional scheduling requirements (e.g., a national emergency or other compelling operational considerations). Required use travel may include travel for official, personal, or political purposes, but must be approved in accordance with §301-10.262(a) and §301-70.803(a).
- (c) For space available travel only when—  $\,$
- (1) The aircraft is already scheduled for use for an official purpose, and your use of the aircraft does not require a larger aircraft or result in more than minor additional cost to the Government; or
- (2) You are a Federal traveler or a dependent of a Federal traveler stationed by the Government in a remote location not accessible to commercial airline service and authorized to use Government aircraft; or
- (3) You are authorized to travel on a space available basis under 10 U.S.C. 4744 and regulations implementing that statute.

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## §301-10.262 How will my agency authorize travel on Government aircraft?

Your agency will authorize your travel on Government aircraft as follows: